

Middle School Initiative

**PART I
COVER SHEET**

CAP 1 SEMESTER 1 WEEK 4

COURSE: Curry Leadership Laboratory, Achievement 1

LESSON TITLE: Drill and Ceremonies – Terminology (Classroom Instruction)

LENGTH OF LESSON: 50 Minutes

METHOD: Lecture - Discussion

REFERENCE(S): AFM 36-2203, *Drill and Ceremonies Manual*, Chapter 1

AUDIO/VISUAL AIDS/HANDOUTS:

1. Overhead projector and transparencies
2. Drill Terminology handout

COGNITIVE OBJECTIVE: N/A

COGNITIVE SAMPLES OF BEHAVIOR: N/A

AFFECTIVE OBJECTIVE: The objective of this series of lessons is for each cadet to know all of the military drill required of a basic cadet.

AFFECTIVE SAMPLES OF BEHAVIOR: Each cadet will willingly learn each of the drill movements and perfect them to required military standards.

STRATEGY: The lessons contained in this phase of training follow a sequential order and show progress from one step to the next. The explanation/demonstration phases are combined because of their simplicity. The instructor should start each lesson with an overview of what will be instructed. Upon completion of the explanation/demonstration phase of each movement have the cadets perform as required with instructor supervision.

Student performance will ascend towards of a level of perfection. Continued performance will instill in the cadet the desire to excel. The instructor should critique each session to assure that desired learning levels are achieved.

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**PART II
TEACHING PLAN
Introduction**

ATTENTION: "You have now reached the last point. If anyone of you doesn't mean business let him say so now. An hour from now will be too late to back out. Once in, you've got to see it through. You've got to perform whatever duty is assigned to you without flinching, regardless of the difficulty or the danger attending it. Absolute obedience to every command is your first lesson. If any person wishes to withdraw he/she will be gladly excused, for others are ready to take your place."

Theodore Roosevelt spoke these words to some Army recruits in 1898.

MOTIVATION: Military drill is the forerunner of military discipline. There was neither of these at the beginning of the Revolutionary War against England. Military drill and discipline came about just before the middle of that war and in the end it proved to be the downfall of English domination in the "colonies." On 19 October 1781, the English conceded to a superior force at Yorktown, Virginia, - to a disciplined Continental Army.

OVERVIEW: During this semester, you will be receiving instruction on basic military drill, which you will practice until each movement is done in perfect unison.

You will receive instruction on the positions of: attention, parade rest, rest, at ease, - the movements of right and left face, about face, fall in/fall out, hand salute, present and order arms, eyes right and ready front, forward march, mark time, halt, half step, double time, change step, marching to the rear, right and left flanks, route step, and at ease march.

Also during this semester, many of you will be required to drill the other members of the unit. In addition to all the previous training, you will receive training on the performance of a color guard. Teams will be formed and you will practice this activity. The best team will present the colors at your graduation/promotion social.

TRANSITION: Now that we know all the material that we will be learning during the semester, let's take a look at this first week of instruction.

Body

(NOTE: This period on drill and ceremonies will be conducted in a classroom environment teaching drill terminology as it applies to the first four chapters of AFM 36-2203, *Drill and Ceremonies Manual*. Cadets should be given a Drill Terminology handout to fill in their own words what the terms mean – see MP3 below.)

MP 1 Today, we are going to study drill terminology. By doing so we will all be thinking essentially the same. (NOTE: The instructor will refer the cadets to the appropriate page in the *Drill and Ceremonies Manual*. Only those terms that have immediate bearing on this course are to be taught. The cadets must understand the following terms so that they can master the art of military drill.)

Alignment. Dress or cover.

Base. The element on which a movement is planned, regulated, or aligned.

Cadence. The uniform step and rhythm in marching; that is, the number of steps marched per minute.

Cover. Individuals aligning themselves directly behind the person to their immediate front while maintaining proper distance.

TRANSPARENCY DC1.1.1 - Depth

Depth. The total space from front to rear of any formation. An individual's depth is considered to be 12 inches.

Distance. The space from front to rear between units. The distance between individuals in formation is 40 inches as measured from their chests to the backs of individuals directly in front of them. Flight commanders, guides, and others whose positions in formation are 40 inches from a rank are themselves considered a rank.

Double Time. The rate of marching at 180 steps (30 inches in length) per minute.

Dress. Alignment of elements side by side or in line maintaining proper interval.

Element. The basic formation; that is, the smallest drill unit comprised of at least 3, but usually 8 to 12 individuals, one of whom is designated as the element leader.

TRANSPARENCY DC1.1.2 – File

File. A single column of persons placed one behind the other.

Flank. The extreme right or left (troops right or left) side of a formation in line or in column.

Flight. At least two, but not more than four, elements.

Formation. An arrangement of units.

Front. The space occupied by a unit, measured from flank to flank. The front of an individual is considered to be 22 inches.

In Column. The arrangement of units side by side with guide and element leaders to the head.

In Line. The arrangement of units one behind the other with the guide and element leader to the extreme right flank.

Interval. The space between individuals placed side by side. A normal interval is an arms length. A close interval is 4 inches.

Mark Time. Marching in place at a rate of 100 to 120 steps per minute.

Pace. A step of 24 inches. This is the length of a full step in quick time.

Post. The correct place for an officer, noncommissioned officer (NCO), or airman to stand while in formation.

Quick Time. The rate of marching at 100 to 120 steps (12 or 24 inches in length) per minute.

TRANSPARENCY DC1.1.3 – Rank

Rank. A single line of persons placed side by side.

Slow Time. The rate of marching at 60 steps per minute (used in funeral ceremonies).

Step. The distance measured from heel to heel between the feet of an individual marching.

Unit. Any portion of a given formation.

MP 2 Each of the terms we have just discussed are very important to you as they will be used in all drill classes, at some time or another. Commit them to memory. Many more terms and/or commands will be taught in the next several weeks and they, also, must be committed to memory.

Before we continue, are there any questions about the terminology we have just covered that you do not understand?

MP 3 (NOTE: The instructor will distribute the Drill Terminology handout and advise the cadets to fill them in per the instructions thereon and return the handout at the next drill session.)

Conclusion

SUMMARY: During this period, we have studied some basic drill terms that will have a bearing on each of you during your participation in this course.

REMOTIVATION: Complete understanding of the terms covered today will help you maximize your drill performance.

CLOSURE: Be sure to read chapter one in your CAP Drill and Ceremonies Manual. Doing so will reinforce in your mind what we have just discussed.

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**PART III
LESSON REVIEW**

LESSON OBJECTIVE(S): The objective of this lesson was for each cadet to learn certain drill terms that he or she will be required to know as a basic cadet.

LESSON QUESTION: Filling in the Drill Terminology handout will fulfill this requirement.

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Handout**

In your own words, define the terms listed below. Do not refer to the Drill and Ceremonies Manual while writing your answers.

ALIGNMENT

BASE

CADENCE

CENTER

COVER

DEPTH

DISTANCE

DOUBLE TIME

DRESS

ELEMENT

FILE

FLANK

FLIGHT

FORMATION

FRONT

IN COLUMN

IN LINE

INTERVAL

MARK TIME

QUICK TIME

RANK

STEP

UNIT
